

HB 946 -- RETURNING HEROES EDUCATION

SPONSOR: Basye

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Veterans by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill requires any institution of higher education that receives state funds to limit the amount of tuition it charges to combat veterans enrolled in a program leading to a graduate degree to no more than 30% of the cost of tuition and fees. A combat veteran is eligible for the tuition limitation for a 10 year period beginning on the date of the veteran's last discharge from service.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that this bill would allow our servicemen and women who fought for our country to receive a graduate education at a reduce cost.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Basye and Missouri National Guard - Office of the Adjutant General.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.